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NO ARRIVALS AGAIN TODAY

THREE SMALL TRAWLERS WITH
2100 POUNDS YESTERDAY
AFTERNOON.

It was a quiet day on the water-front. Not even the gill netters landed and the only receipts during the past 24 hours was from three small shore boats which landed 2100 pounds between them at the Commercial Fish Company's wharf. A couple of draggers came down from Boston to re-fit, and sch. Hesperus came down from the Pier to haul out on the railways for an overhauling.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Boat Frances C., trawling, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat D229, trawling, 300 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Madona Paradisio, trawling, 800 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Hesperus, via Boston.
Sch. Babe Sears, via Boston.
Sch. Evelyn G. Sears, via Boston.

On the Railways.

Sch. Hesperus is on Parkhurst's railways.

BOSTON PRICES AGAIN MOVE UP

HADDOCK TOUCHED \$8 TODAY—
RECEIPTS TOTAL ONLY
400,000 POUNDS.

A fleet of 17 furnished the supply to dealers on the Boston fish pier this morning. Fares were small. Total receipts were 307,000 pounds of groundfish and 93,000 pounds of mixed fish. A continued brisk demand kept prices up. Haddock brought \$7.50 to \$8; large cod, \$8 to \$10 and markets, \$5 to \$6.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Str. Newton, 44,000 haddock, 700 cod, 7500 mixed fish.
Str. Coot, 25,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 2300 mixed fish.
Str. Comber, 14,000 haddock, 4500 cod, 38,000 mixed fish.
Str. Wave, 12,000 haddock, 2500 cod, 9000 mixed fish.
Sch. John Mantia, 8000 haddock, 600 cod, 2500 sole.
Boat Lucia, 23,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 2500 mixed fish.
Boat Gertrude Parker, 17,000 haddock, 8000 mixed fish.
Boat Bettina, 12,000 haddock, 800 sole.
Boat R. Eugene Ashley, 33,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 8000 sole.
Sch. Wanderer, 20,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.
Sch. J. M. Marshall, 20,000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 6000 cusk.
Boat Cornell, 13,000 haddock, 800 cod, 11,000 mixed fish.
Boat Geraldine and Phyllis, 11,000 haddock, 500 cod, 200 mixed fish.
Boat Josie II., 3300 mixed fish.
Boat Automatic II., 3000 mixed fish.
Boat Robert and Edwin, 3100 mixed fish.
Boat Annie, 2500 mixed fish.
Haddock, \$7.50 to \$8 per cwt.; large cod, \$8 to \$10; market cod, \$5 to \$6; hake, \$4 to \$6; pollock, \$3 to \$3.50; cusk, \$4; lemon sole, 10 cents per pound; black backs, 6 cents; yellow tails, 3-1-2 cents; dabs, 2-1-2 cents; catfish, 4 cents.

NEW TRAWLER NEARLY READY FOR LAUNCHING

The new beam trawler Brookline being built at the yard of Arthur D. Story in Essex is nearly ready for launching, and will probably leave the ways either the latter part of this week or the first of next week. The craft is similar to the Newton launched recently, and is for Boston parties.

N. F. Herring Fishery.

There was some improvement in the herring fishery in Bay of Islands since our last issue, and on Saturday good catches were taken. However the season is so far advanced now that there is little likelihood of catch being even an average one. To date it is only about 20 per cent what it was this date last year. The Str. Hello took away about 500 packages last week.—Bay of Islands Western Star.

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N. S. Lobsters

At the Fish Cannery Section (C. M. A.) annual meeting held in Halifax November 26, a conference was held with fisheries officials from Ottawa along with some from Nova Scotia and members of the fisheries experimental station. Reports regarding the review of lobster canners made during the past season showed that the standard of these had been perceptibly improved since their previous inspection, but there are still many plants that do not come up to the required standard. In view of the dual control of these establishments between the Federal and Provincial governments, resolutions were passed asking that efforts be made to have matters adjusted so that progress can be made in raising the standards so that a uniform good quality of Canadian canned lobsters can be obtained, and a general observance of the regulations to that end enforced.

Quality was the keynote of an article read there that was freely discussed with Dr. Hamer, representing the Fishermen's Unions, and Mr. Webb, of Messrs. Cockfield, Brown & Company, Ltd., who are investigating matters on behalf of the Canadian government. Considerable discussion ensued regarding the subsidized freight service undertaken by the fisheries department last season as regards its effects upon the fresh lobster markets and the future conduct of this branch of the business. Some averred that because of these subsidized shipments being considered as a dumping of Canadian stocks into the American markets, so that the Maine fishermen are able to sell their recent catches at only 20 cents per pound, compared with 45 cents a pound at the same period of last year, an agitation for an import duty of 10 cents per pound has been inaugurated. Several operators from other parts of the Canadian coast declared, too, that the special concessions made for the fishermen of Halifax and Guysboro counties were unfair to the fishermen of the other counties.

Lobster markets generally are dormant just now and despite lower prices current throughout the year the demand has not perceptibly improved and a large carryover into the following season is generally predicted.—Maritime Merchant.

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Shifting to Dragging.

Schs. Doris M. Hawes and Josephine and Mary are shifting over to flounder dragging.

N. S. Pickled Fish.

No. 1 July grocery herring are selling at \$8 ex store. The demand is reported about normal. Nearly every autumn a few Newfoundland fall splits are sold in this market, but owing to the failure of the Newfoundland fishery practically nothing has been received this autumn, says the Maritime Merchant.

Export demand for alewives is slow. Consumption in the West Indies has been curtailed considerably. The price is steady at \$5.25 ex boat.

No improvement is reported in the demand for fall fat mackerel. Prices are very low. No. 1 are priced at \$15 and Newfoundlands at \$12 ex store.

Spring mackerel are moving a little more freely into the Halifax market from the Eastern outports. The past few fall seasons the fishermen who held until late in the year before marketing secured somewhat better prices than those who sold during the summer, but this fall the expected advance did not materialize. There is an ample supply in sight for requirements until next spring and unless there is an improvement in consumption stocks will overlap when new catch of fish comes along. The market is unchanged at \$7.50 to \$7.75 ex boat.

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FEW SHORE BOATS LAND SMALL FARES

GILL NETTERS LIFTED YESTERDAY AND LANDED 56,000 POUNDS.

With good weather off the shore, all of the flounder draggers and trawlers are out today for the first time since Monday. Up to noon today, however, the receipts of fresh fish were scarce, only three boats being reported with a total catch of only 5800 pounds. Eleven of the fleet of gill netters hauled their gear for the first time in two days yesterday, having a total catch of 56,000 pounds.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:

Boat LaPaloma, dragging, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat D 107, trawling, 300 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat C 4188, trawling, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Bettina, via Boston.

Boat Geraldine and Phyllis, via Boston.

Sch. J. M. Marshall, via Boston.

Sch. Oliver Brown, via Boston.

Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

Boat Enterprise 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Inca, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Mary A., 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Phyllis A., 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Mary J. Landry, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Liboria C., 4500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Alicia, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Edna Fae, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Elizabeth and James, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Virginia and Joan, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Ramona, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sailed.

Sch. St. John, dragging.

Sch. St. Rosalie, dragging.

Boat Capt. Drum, dragging.

Boat Uncle Sam, dragging.

Boat Little Joe, dragging.

Boat Angie and Mary, dragging.

On the Railways.

Sch. Olivia Brown is on Burnham's railways.

BAKER'S DOZEN AT HUB TODAY

RECEIPTS OF 270,000 POUNDS—
MARKET STILL FIRM WITH
GOOD PRICES.

Light receipts of groundfish continued at the Boston fish pier this morning. There were 13 arrivals when the bell rang for the opening and they brought in 170,000 pounds of groundfish and 70,000 pounds of mixed fish. The market was firm on all varieties with the range of prices slightly higher than yesterday. Haddock started at \$7.50 to \$9; large cod, \$9 to \$10 and markets, \$5 to \$6.

A large amount of frozen smelts from Canada was received yesterday by rail, one lot totalling 2325 boxes, the other consisting of a full carload.

The cold weather for the last few days showed its effect on the arriving fleet and nearly all of the vessels were pretty heavily coated with ocean spray.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:

Str. Elk, 22,000 haddock, 5000 cod

30,000 mixed fish.

Sch. Ruth Lucille, 5000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Waltham II., 6000 haddock, 200 cod, 1500 hake.

Sch. Maris Stella, 13,000 haddock, 4000 mixed fish.

Sch. Doris Amero, 6500 haddock, 1000 cod, 2600 mixed fish.

Sch. Lenora C., 10,000 haddock, 5000 mixed fish.

Boat Andover, 7000 haddock, 10,000 mixed fish.

Sch. Rainbow, 27,000 haddock, 1500 cod.

Sch. Dorchester, 23,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 4500 mixed fish.

Str. Plover, 30,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 5800 mixed fish.

Sch. Olympia, 3000 haddock, 2200 cod, 1900 mixed fish.

Boat Jackson and Arthur, 2500 mixed fish.

Boat St. Joseph, 3300 mixed fish.

Haddock, \$7.50 to \$9 per cwt.; large cod, \$9 to \$10; market cod, \$5 to \$6; hake, \$4 to \$5; pollock, \$2.80 to \$3; cusk, \$3; gray sole, 9½ cents per pound; lemon sole, 10 cents; black backs, 6 cents; yellow tails, 4 cents; dabs, 2½ cents; sharks, 6½ cents; catfish, 5 cents.

SEA LAMPREY FOUND

IN HADDOCK'S MOUTH

While one of the employees of the Cape Fish Company at the fish pier at Boston, was cleaning a large haddock yesterday, he found in the mouth of the fish a five-inch creature without head or tail which fishermen around the pier were unable to identify. Its body was of a greenish color and it had a row of legs on each side. An expert from Harvard classified the strange-looking fish as a sea lamprey, a member of the eel family, which grows to a length of from three to five feet when it reaches maturity.

FIVE DRAGGERS LANDED TODAY

FLEET OUT SINCE YESTERDAY,
EXPECT TO LAND FARES
TOMORROW.

Five of the small draggers and this morning, but the bulk of the shore boats discharged fares here fleet is still out, making a two days' trip of it. The quintette landing this morning, brought about 12,000 pounds of fresh fish. A dozen of the gill netters lifted yesterday and weighed out about 32,000 pounds.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:

Boat Maria Concetta, trawling, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Grace S., trawling, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. St. John, dragging, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat 734C, trawling, 900 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat 703E., trawling, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Lucia, via Boston.

Sch. Doris F. Amero, via Boston.

Sch. Ruth Lucille, via Boston.

Sch. Leonora C., via Boston.

Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

Boat Enterprise, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Inca, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Mary A., 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Phyllis A., 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Mary J. Landry, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Serafina II., 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Liboria C., 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Alicia, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Edna Fae, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Elizabeth and James, 300 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Virginia and Joan, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Ramnoa, 2200 lbs. fresh fish.

Sailed.

Sch. Babe Sears, dragging.

Sch. Evelyn G. Sears, shore.

Sch. Olivia Brown, dragging.

Sch. J. M. Marshall, shore.

On the Railways.

Boats Juneal and Geraldine and Phyllis are on Rocky Neck railways.